

## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D 1192)

H.R. 2744, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006. Signed on November 10, 2005. (Public Law 109-97)

H.R. 2967, to designate the Federal building located at 333 Mt. Elliott Street in Detroit, Michigan, as the "Rosa Parks Federal Building". Signed on November 11, 2005. (Public Law 109-98)

H.R. 3765, to extend through March 31, 2006, the authority of the Secretary of the Army to accept and expend funds contributed by non-Federal public entities and to expedite the processing of permits". Signed on November 11, 2005. (Public Law 109-99)

S. 37, to extend the special postage stamp for breast cancer research for 2 years. Signed on November 11, 2005. (Public Law 109-100)

S. 1285, to designate the Federal building located at 333 Mt. Elliott Street in Detroit, Michigan, as the "Rosa Parks Federal Building". Signed on November 11, 2005. (Public Law 109-101)

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COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY,  
NOVEMBER 15, 2005

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

## Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Airland, to hold hearings to examine defense acquisition issues related to tactical aviation and Army programs, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Ben S. Bernanke, of New Jersey, to be a Member and to be Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 10 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* to hold hearings to examine public policy options for encouraging alternative automotive fuel technologies, 10 a.m., SD-562.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to hold hearings to examine a status report on the Environmental Protection Management programs of the Department of Energy, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 431, to establish a program to award grants to improve and maintain sites honoring Presidents of the United States, S. 505, to amend the Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area Act of 2000 to adjust the boundary of the Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area, S. 1288, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into cooperative agreements to protect natural resources of units of the National Park System through collaborative efforts on land inside and outside of units of the National Park

System, S. 1544, to establish the Northern Plains National Heritage Area in the State of North Dakota, S. Con. Res. 60, designating the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in Kansas City, Missouri, as America's National Negro Leagues Baseball Museum, S. 748 and H.R. 1084, bills to authorize the establishment at Antietam National Battlefield of a memorial to the officers and enlisted men of the Fifth, Sixth, and Ninth New Hampshire Volunteer Infantry Regiments and the First New Hampshire Light Artillery Battery who fought in the Battle of Antietam on September 17, 1862, and H.R. 2107, to amend Public Law 104-329 to modify authorities for the use of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Maintenance Fund, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Finance:* business meeting to consider an original bill pertaining to certain expiring tax provisions and additional incentives for hurricane affected areas, Time to be announced, SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine Treaty Between the United States of America and Japan on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, signed at Washington on August 5, 2003; including a related exchange of notes (Treaty Doc. 108-12), Treaty Between the United States of America and the Federal Republic of Germany on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, signed at Washington on October 14, 2003, and a related exchange of notes (Treaty Doc. 108-27), Extradition Treaty Between the United States of America and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and related exchanges of letters, signed at Washington on March 31, 2003 (Treaty Doc. 108-23), and Protocol between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the State of Israel, signed at Jerusalem on July 6, 2005 (Treaty Doc. 109-3), 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, and International Security, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the current nuclear situation in Iran and the U.S. response, focusing on the relationship between Iran's pursuit of nuclear weapons and its status as a state-sponsor of terrorism, 3 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Virginia Mary Kendall, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, Kristi Dubose, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Alabama, and W. Keith Watkins, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Alabama, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

## House

*Committee on Agriculture,* hearing to review recent litigation on Forest Service firefighting and forest health efforts, 2 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* to mark up H.R. 3889, Methamphetamine Epidemic Elimination Act, 3 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, Trade, and

Technology, hearing on Increasing Efficiency and Economic Growth Through Trade in Financial Services, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform*, Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations, hearing entitled "Examining VA Implementation of the Persian Gulf War Veterans Act of 1998," 1 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, Subcommittee on Management, Integration and Oversight, hearing entitled "CBP and ICE: Does the Current Organizational Structure Best Serve U.S. Homeland Security Interests? Part 2," 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on International Relations*, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights and International Operations, hearing on In Defense of Human Dignity: The 2005 International Religious Freedom Report, and to mark up H. Con. Res. 190, Expressing the sense of the Congress that the Russian Federation should fully protect the freedoms of all religious communities without distinction, whether registered and unregistered, as stipulated by the Russian Constitution and international standards, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Middle East and Central Asia, to mark up the following measures: H. Con. Res. 284, Expressing the sense of Congress with respect to the 2005 presidential and parliamentary elections in Egypt; H. Res. 438, Urging member states of the United Nations to stop supporting resolutions that unfairly castigate Israel

and to promote within the United Nations General Assembly more balanced and constructive approaches to resolving conflict in the Middle East; H. Con. Res. 275, Expressing the sense of Congress regarding the education curriculum in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; and H. Res. 535, Honoring the life, legacy, and example of Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin on the tenth anniversary of his death, 5:30 p.m., 2200 Longworth.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on the Constitution, oversight hearing on the Voting Rights Act: Sections 6 and 8—Federal Examiner and Observer Programs, 12:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, oversight hearing on Federal Jurisdiction Clarification Act, 4 p.m., 2142 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims, to continue oversight hearings on How Illegal Immigration Impacts Constituencies: Perspectives from Members of Congress, (Part II), 3 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules*, to consider H.R. 1065, United States Boxing Commission Act, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Railroads, hearing on Current Governance Issues at Amtrak, 10 a.m., 2325 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, to mark up H.R. 4297, To provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 201(b) of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2006, 5 p.m., 1100 Longworth.